

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

**DOCKETING DEPARTMENT**

**NOTICE OF FILING**

**DOCKET NO. 2008-270-W**

**APPLICATION OF WATER HEAD, LLC FOR ACQUISITION OF WATER SYSTEM AT GAULEY FALLS SUBDIVISION, PICKENS COUNTY AND FOR EXPANSION OF SERVICE AREA**

Water Head, LLC, (“Water Head” or “the Company”) has filed an Application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (“Commission”), pursuant to 26 S. C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-704 and 103-743 (Supp. 2007) for approval of the acquisition of those assets of Piedmont Water Company, Inc., (“Piedmont”) that comprise the water supply and distribution system used to provide potable water to the Gauley Falls Subdivision, located in Pickens County, South Carolina (“the Utility System”). In addition, Water Head requests the Commission to approve an expansion of the certificated service area of the Utility System to include the subdivision known as “The Rock at Jocassee,” which is adjacent to and adjoining Piedmont’s service area.

The Application reveals that Piedmont is a ‘public utility’ that provides water service to 32 residential customers in the Gauley Falls Subdivision. Water Head is a limited liability corporation providing potable water to users at the Rock at Jocassee development by means of a water supply and distribution system that Water Head owns and operates. Water Head serves a total of 38 users at the Rock at Jocassee, including nineteen single-family residences, eighteen condominiums or “time-share” units, and a clubhouse.

On May 10, 2007, Piedmont and Water Head entered into a “Utility Systems Sale and Purchase Agreement” (“Agreement”) by which Piedmont agreed to transfer, and Water head agreed to acquire, the Utility System.

According to the Application, upon the Commission’s approval of the transfer and acquisition of the Utility System, Water Head intends to interconnect the Utility System with the water system that Water Head operates at the Rock at Jocassee. Further, the Application states that upon the Commission’s approval of the expansion of the service area of the Utility System, Water Head will charge and collect the rates and charges which the Commission has previously approved for Piedmont’s water services in the Gauley Falls Subdivision.

A copy of the Company’s Application can be obtained from the Commission at the following address: Public Service Commission of South Carolina, Docketing Department, 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210. Additionally, the Application is available on the Commission’s website at [www.psc.sc.gov](http://www.psc.sc.gov) and is available from Robert T. Bockman, Esquire, McNair Law Firm, P.A., Post Office Box 11390, Columbia, South Carolina 29211.

A public hearing, if scheduled, will be held in the Commission’s Hearing Room, Synergy Business Park, Saluda Building, 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina, for the purpose of receiving testimony and other evidence from all interested parties regarding this Application. The time and date of this hearing will be furnished to all interested parties at a later date.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record with the right of cross-examination should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **August 21, 2008**, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please include an email address for receipt of future Commission correspondence in the Petition to Intervene. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2008-270-W.***

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing, if scheduled, should notify the Docketing Department, in writing, at the address below, the Office of Regulatory Staff, 1441 Main Street, Suite 300, Columbia, South Carolina 29201 and Robert T. Bockman, Esquire, at the above address, on or before **August 21, 2008**, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2008-270-W.***

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Any person, who wishes to be notified of the hearing but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Docketing Department, in writing, at the address below on or before **August 21, 2008**.  
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**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:** Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding **MUST** present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5100.

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